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In re Application of: Rickey D. Hart et al.

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AMENDMENT

This paper is submitted in response to a current Office Action.

Please amend the application as follows: